

2010 GDCTA Eventing Year-End Award Rules for USEA RECOGNIZED SHOWS

1. All awards will be based on a horse/rider combination meeting these eligibility requirements.

A) To be eligible a Horse/Rider Combination must submit **at least three** USEA Endorsed/Recognized scores. **ONE dressage score must be 43 or fewer penalty points.** (Preliminary level and above need one dressage score of 45 or better) Through Training Level, **ONE must have a Clear XC** (no jump penalties). Preliminary and above must have **two clear XC** (no jump penalties). Horse and Rider must complete the event. No scores will be awarded if they were eliminated, retired, or withdrew.

B) All scores submitted **must be postmarked within 20 days** of the close of each competition show date and **must be submitted on a current GDCTA Rider Report Form** found in the annual membership package and on the website. Scores **will not be accepted** if they do not meet these criteria.

C) **All submitted scores reports will be confirmed by the scorekeeper via email, phone or fax within 7 days of receipt. If confirmation is not received, it is the rider's responsibility to check with the scorekeeper before 30 days from the date of the show have elapsed (ie, the total time allowed for reporting after the scores are earned is 30 days).**

D) At the beginning of the Awards year Adult Amateur riders must choose to compete for either Open or Adult Amateur. **To be eligible for an Adult Amateur award you must qualify for the Amateur status under the US Equestrian Federation.** You are not required to hold an Adult Amateur card. Junior riders compete under Junior classification.

E) A Horse/Rider Combination that has **WON** a year-end **Championship** in a Junior or Adult Amateur division will no longer be able to submit scores for that division. You may, however, compete for an Open division award in any further year. Once a Horse/Rider combination has **WON** an Open Recognized award, they are no longer eligible for an award at that level, or lower.

F) Once a Horse/Rider Combination has **qualified** for a Recognized Show Award, the Horse/Rider combination can not qualify for a schooling show award at that level or any level below.

G) Riders must be current GDCTA members at the time the scores are **earned**.

2. Awards will be presented in the following categories: Open, Adult Amateur and Junior Rider.

3. Awards will be offered at BN, N, T, P, I, and A. At the Preliminary Level and above the categories are limited to Adult Amateur or Open. Intermediate and Advanced are combined for one award in the Open category.

4. Scores from all USEA Recognized events conducted in the continental United States will be eligible for inclusion in this Awards program regardless of region. Only one score may be from a USEA CT.

5. Eventing awards are calculated based on the **BEST THREE** scores submitted. Scoring will be calculated as follows:

Number of starters	17
Minus-Placing in division	<u>3</u>
	14
Plus-Completion point	<u>1</u>
Final points for event	15

USEA Recognized 3-Day Events receive a coefficient of 2, making the hypothetical final score 30.

6. No changes to the awards standings can be made after November 30th of the current competition year.